

AGENDA

Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization

7:00 PM – March 24, 2010

1. Call to Order Ted Biggers

2. Approval of Minutes Ted Biggers
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve January meeting minutes as presented.

3. Citizen Comment Period

4. LRTP & Conformity Determination Report Recommendations Robert Cook

ACTIONS REQUESTED:

a) Find that the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan and the 2009-2015 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program are in compliance with the provisions of the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990 and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

b) Adopt the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan.

BACKGROUND: The required 30-day public comment period ended on March 8, 2010. Two public meetings were held in February to solicit comments on the LRTP and CDR. Comments that have been submitted regarding the plan have been posted on MUMPO's website. At its March 11 meeting, the Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO make a conformity determination on the LRTP and approve the LRTP. More information can be found at the following website: [2035 LRTP](#).

ATTACHMENT: Draft resolutions.

5. 2009-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Robert Cook

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve the 2009-2015 TIP amendments.

BACKGROUND: A plan to accelerate the construction of the remaining portion of the I-485 Loop (TIP #R-2248E) and the I-85/I-485 Interchange (TIP #R-2123CE) has been proposed by NCDOT. Currently, the TIP shows the construction funding for these projects after FY 2015. In order for the funding to correspond with NCDOT's new construction schedule, TIP amendments are required. At its March 11 meeting, the Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO approve the TIP amendments.

ATTACHMENT: Draft resolution.

6. Strategic Planning Office of Transportation Prioritization Results David Wasserman

ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: The NCDOT's Strategic Planning Office of Transportation (SPOT) has released the initial results of its strategic prioritization process, as part of the department's

Transportation Reform effort. MUMPO's contribution to the list of ranked projects came from the Candidate Projects List that was adopted in March 2009. The rankings are initial results based upon data and need, and have not been subject to funding, legal or scheduling constraints. These are preliminary results and may be subject to change. More information can be found at the following website: [SPOT](#).

- 7. Charlotte Railroad Corridor Improvements** Patrick Simmons
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: A review of the Charlotte Railroad Improvements and Safety Program (CRISP) and the NCRR Double Track Project in northeast Charlotte will be provided.

- 8. Resolution Supporting the Fast Lanes Study** Tim Gibbs
ACTION REQUESTED: Endorse the Fast Lanes study recommendations.

BACKGROUND: The Fast Lanes study examined the technical, financial and institutional feasibility of dedicating lanes on major highways in the Charlotte region for active traffic management. The study is now complete and a resolution of support from the MPO is being requested. At its March 11 meeting, the Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO endorse the study's recommendations. The final report can be downloaded from www.fastlanes.org.

ATTACHMENT: Draft resolution.

- 9. Lake Norman Transportation Commission ULI Panel Findings** Carroll Gray
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: The Lake Norman Transportation Commission sponsored an Urban Land Institute (ULI) Advisory Panel focused on north Charlotte and the four lake towns. The panel's mission was to assess the economic potentials of the area given the vital infrastructure needed to facilitate projected investment and resulting jobs.

- 10. FY 11 Unified Planning Work Program** Robert Cook
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: The UPWP is adopted annually and identifies the major transportation planning activities to be undertaken during the fiscal year.

ATTACHMENT:

- 11. Monroe Parkway Project Status Update** Reid Simons
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: Update on the progress of the Monroe Parkway.

12. Rea Road Extension/NC 84 Improvements

Nancy Anderson

ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: Portions of this project were included in the financially-constrained 2015 and 2020 long range transportation plans (adopted in 1995 and 1999, respectively), but were not included in the 2025, 2030 and 2035 LRTPs when they were originally adopted (2002, 2005 and 2010, respectively). The 2030 LRTP was amended approximately 18 months after its adoption to include a portion of the project. The MPO approved the amendment due to the release of the 2007-2013 TIP and its inclusion of funding for a portion of the project. Funding was included in the TIP in response to a developer committing to building a portion of the roadway in Weddington. The development proposal is not currently active.

13. Adjourn